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Office of Waste and Chemical Management (HW-124)
US Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101

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Re: Closure Settlement Report #11 for Ponds 8E, 15S and Phase IV Ponds
Closure Settlement Report #7 for Pond 16S
FMC Idaho LLC., EPA ID No. IDD 07092 9518

Dear Ms. Meyer:

Please find enclosed the eleventh quarterly Settlement Monitoring Progress Report for Ponds 8E, 15S, and the Phase IV ponds and the seventh quarterly Settlement Monitoring Progress Report for Pond 16S as per the requirements set forth in the respective closure plans.

As described in the enclosed report, monitoring data indicate that settlement has reached ultimate values at all of the monuments at ponds 8E, the Phase IV ponds (11S-14S) and Pond 15S. FMC is prepared to initiate final closure of these units during the 2003 construction season provided that EPA approves the final closure phase of the respective closure plans by November 30, 2002. FMC submitted to EPA revised closure plans for these units in May 2002. With respect to Pond 16S, monitoring data indicate that settlement has reached ultimate values at some of the monuments but settlement rates at some locations within the units are not definitively below acceptable levels for final cap construction as specified in the Pond 16S closure plan.

FMC will continue settlement monitoring and will reevaluate the settlement duration estimates at the end of the following quarter in the next progress report that will be submitted by October 31, 2002.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (208) 236-8216.

Very truly yours,



Rob J. Hartman
FMC Corporation

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